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SUBJECT: INCREASED PORT SECURITY

1. DURING VISIT TO PORT AREA LATE MORNING 19 JULY, I OBSERVED UNUSUAL MILITARY SECURITY ACTIVITY.
2. ON BREAKWATER DIVIDING SILOS AND PETROLEUM HARBORS, THREE SUB-MACHINE GUN BEARING, HELMET-WEARING SOLDIERS WERE ALERTLY SCANNING WESTERN APPROACHES TO ALEXANDRIA HARBOR. ON RETURN FROM STROLL TO OUTER BREAKWATER, I MET ARMY LIEUTENANT BRING FOURTH ARMED SOLDIER. THIS IS FIRST TIME I HAVE SEEN ANY ARMED PERSONNEL IN THAT AREA.
3. BRIDGE OVER NOUBARIEH CANAL HAD DOUBLED GUARD (SIX MEN) ON DUTY AND OTHER ARMED AND STEEL HELMETED SOLDIERS WERE PATROLLING (AT ABOUT 200 YARD INTERVALS) EASTERN SILOS DOCKS AND LUMBER DOCKS.
4. WHOLE EXERCISE MAY RPT MAY HAVE BEEN VIP SECURITY EXERCISE, SINCE NEXT MAJOR INSTALLATION EAST (ALEXANDRIA SHIPYARD) HAD MANY FLAGS OUT AS IF EXPECTING VISIT, AND REST OF PORT NOT SO HIGHLY SECURED.

5. NEVERTHELESS, ANY VIP VISIT TO SHIPYARD WAS BEING PROTECTED

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